

*Appointments in McGill University.*—The Governors of this Institution have been pleased to make the following appointments in the Medical Faculty, in consequence of the death of the late Dr. McCulloch, which lamented event we recorded in our last number. The chair of Midwifery and Diseases of Women and Children that he occupied during his life time, has been assigned to Professor Hall, whom we are sure will sustain its popularity and usefulness. For the many years he has been connected with the College, he has always been a favorite of the students. The Professorship of Materia Medica and Pharmacy, left vacant by this appointment, has been conferred upon Dr. Wright, formerly Professor of Medical Jurisprudence.

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*Medical Faculty of Laval University, Quebec.*—The Medical Professors of this University are—Dr. J. Blanchet, of Medicine and Physiology; Dr. C. Fremont, of External Pathology and Operative Surgery; Dr. J. A. Sewell, of Internal Pathology and Special Therapeutics; Dr. A. Jackson, of Midwifery and Female Diseases; Dr. J. Z. Nault, of Materia Medica and Therapeutics; and Dr. J. E. Laundry, of Anatomy, general, descriptive, and surgical. The other chairs are not yet filled up.

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*Strychnine in Cholera.*—We have much pleasure in directing the attention of the profession to Dr. Fraser's communication; because we are convinced that strychnine is the most powerful nervine now in use, and the best adapted for the removal of certain symptoms of cholera. The justness of this opinion is well sustained by the historical details of the recorded table, where an amount of success is exhibited from the remedy as must be most encouraging to those who may hereafter be called upon to treat the disease. Like other substances, strychnine will fail; but its experimental use is justified by the rebelliousness of the disease to medicine generally, and we hope, when strychnine is selected, its trial will be conducted in the judicious and scientific way recommended.

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*Annual Report of the City Inspector of the City of New York for the Year 1853.*—This is a very complete document, clearly drawn up and full of valuable information. As it refers to matters, however, that have principally a local interest, we can only speak of it generally. We think a similar production should issue yearly from every town, which would exhibit the particulars connected with mortality and births during a given time, the prevalence of different diseases, causes of death, length of life, and similar facts of interest not merely to physicians but to all